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10 INVENTION: **METHOD FOR THE STATISTICAL MULTIPLEXING
OF ATM CONNECTIONS**

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

15 Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.98, Applicant respectfully requests that consideration and citation of the following documents be made during the course of examination of the above-identified application.

20 AI German reference DE 196 49 649

AJ International reference WO 97/01895

AK European reference EP 0 673 138

AQ Lily Cheng, "Quality of services based on both call admission and cell scheduling", Computer Networks and

25 ISDN Systems 29, (1997), pages 555-567

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AR Eugen Wallmeier, "A Connection Acceptance Algorithm for ATM Networks Based on Mean and Peak Bit Rates", International Journal of Digital and Analog Communication Systems, Vol. 3, (1990) pages 143-153

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EXPLANATION OF RELEVANCE

References AJ, AK, and AQ were cited during earlier examination of the present PCT application. Since all of these references are in English, no further commentary concerning their teachings is necessary.

References AI and AR are further prior art references that are known 10 to the Applicants. Since AR is in English, no further commentary concerning its teachings is necessary. With respect to German reference AI, the Applicants have provided an English Abstract briefly discussing the teachings of this reference.

Copies of each of the above references together with Form 1449 15 and the European Search Report are submitted herewith.

The Information Disclosure Statement is being filed concurrently with the present application, and is therefore in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(1) and no fee is necessary.

The above citation of prior art is not a representation that such art 20 constitutes a complete or exhaustive listing of all pertinent prior art, nor that it necessarily includes the closest or most relevant art. The aforementioned

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citation comprises a voluntary citation of prior art of which Applicants are presently aware and is not intended to serve as a substitute for the Examiner's own search.

Respectfully submitted,

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